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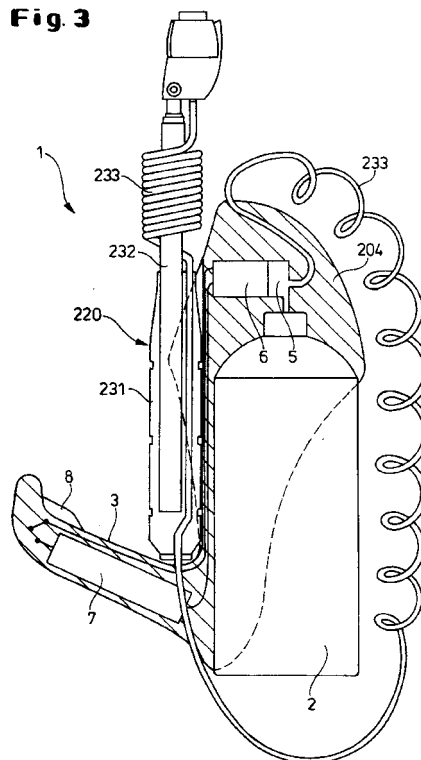
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(54) **A process of cleaning carpets and the like**

(57) The present invention is directed to a process of cleaning carpets and other large fabric coverings with a product dispensed from a device (1), said device (1) comprising a reservoir for said product, means for dispensing said product, a spray arm and at least one dispensing opening, the process being characterized in that the reservoir is a removable non-refillable cartridge (2). Preferably, said at least one reservoir comprises at least one compartment.

Fig. 3



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1. Claims: 1-6

Product dispensing device with a removable product reservoir
and a spray arm having one product dispensing opening

2. Claims: 7-8

Fitment of a cartridge of a concentrated product

3. Claims: 9-10

Cleaning process for floor covering with a specified size
distribution and composition of a residuality index of less
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